Docket No. K06-163174M/TBS **NGB324**

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In re Application of:

Kaname Joushita

Serial No.:

10/695,456

Group Art Unit:

3611

Filed:

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Examiner:

Lee Sin Yee Lum Vannucci

For:

ELECTRIC POWER STEERING DEVICE AND JOINT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

Total Claims Indep. Claims	AFTER AMENDMENT 22 7	PREV. PAID FOR 20 7	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT = 2 = 0	<u>RATE</u> x \$ 50.00 x \$ 200.00	FEE DUE \$ 100.00 \$.00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

\$ 100.00

A check in the amount of \$100.00 is submitted herewith to cover the excess claim fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-4, 6-10, 12-15, and 17-25 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 22 - 25 are newly added. Claims 1, 3-4, 6-8, and 10 are independent.